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Applicant : James W. Edwards et al. Art Unit: 2131
Serial No. : 09/741,406 Examiner: C. Revak
Filed : December 19, 2000
Title : ACCESSING A PRIVATE NETWORK

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Notice of Allowance Date: March 26, 2007

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed March 26, 2007, enclosed is a completed issue fee transmittal form PTOL-85b.

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS
FOR ALLOWANCE AND STATEMENT OF INTERVIEW

Applicant appreciates the opportunity to have discussed the pending claims with the examiner in a telephone interview on March 13, 2007. In the telephone interview, the applicant's representative and the Examiner discussed amendments to claim 11. During the interview, agreement was reached that the removal of language from claim 11 would correct the claim, subject to further search and review.

It is agreed that the limitations recited in the examiner's Reasons for Allowance are not taught or suggested by the art of record, and that the allowed independent claims 1, 10, and 19

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are distinguished from the cited prior art for at least the reasons stated in the Reasons for Allowance. Applicant does not concede that the stated reasons are the only grounds for patentability of the allowed claims, that the limitations excluded from the Reasons for Allowance are taught or suggested by the art of record, or that all of the limitations are necessary for patentability of the allowed claims or other claims directed to the disclosed subject matter. For example, other claims including different limitations are patentable over the cited prior art.

Please apply the required fees in the amount of \$1,700 to our Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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